

**Massachusetts Health Care Quality and Cost Council Patient Safety Committee
Draft Infection Prevention Workgroup Work Plan
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Month	Tasks	Resource
November, 2008	Describe the issue and scope of problem	All Members
November, 2008	Define mission and goals of workgroup	All Members
November, 2008	Develop a plan for prioritization by facility type <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ambulatory Surgical Care Centers (ASC) • Long Term Care Facilities (SNF, LTC) • Independent Rehabilitative Facilities (IRF) • Long Term Acute Care (LTAC) hospitals • Outpatient Dialysis Centers • Home Care • Primary care (including physician offices) • Infusion Therapy Centers (including home infusion) • Ambulance services • Other 	
Month	Tasks	Resource
December, 2008	Finalize membership for location specific workgroups, define scope for each, establish timelines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LTC, SNF, LTAC, IRF • ASC • Outpatient Dialysis Centers • Others – as listed above – will be convened at a later date 	

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January - June, 2009	<p>Convene Location-specific workgroups</p> <p>Location specific workgroups will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify additional key stakeholders for group membership • Make recommendations for appropriate process and outcome measures based on frequency, severity, preventability and facility type • Identify measures and benchmarks which are currently publicly available • Suggest a timeline for reporting of performance measures • Identify preventive best practices • Develop prioritized facility specific program implementation plans • Assist in the identification and enlistment of implementation team • Provide a strategy for facility trainings (i.e. webinars, collaborative learning process, educational packets/toolkits etc) • Develop content for facility trainings • Develop business case associated with implementation of preventive best practices • Ensure that the prevention of healthcare associated infection is a leadership, organizational and management priority • Identify strategies for consumer participation • Develop potential cost benefits for patients, families and payers • Make recommendations to ensure accountability 	